

REMARKS

Status of case

Claims 39-84 are pending.

Objection to the Specification

The abstract of the specification was objected to because it is the same as U.S. Patent No. 6,697,491. In response, Applicants amend the abstract. No new matter has been added by amendment.

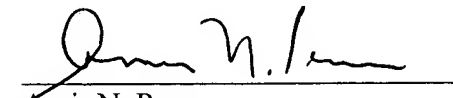
Rejections based on Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 39-84 are rejected under obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-13 of U.S. Patent No. 6,697,491. In response, Applicants submit the enclosed terminal disclaimer.

SUMMARY

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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